# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# HOME AFFAIRS
# LOK SABHA

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CLAMITY MANAGEMENT CORE GROUP
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**Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Calamity Management Core Group (CMC) has submitted its report to Honable Prime Minister;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the recommendations made therein; and

(d) the reaction of the Government thereto?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SWAMI CHINMAYANAND)

(a): The Working Group set up to assist the National Committee on Disaster Management has submitted its report to the Hon`ble Prime Minister.

(b)&(c): The Working Group has mainly endorsed the recommendations of the High Powered Committee (HPC) on Disaster Management set up by the Government in August, 1999 which relate to constitutional and legal framework, organizational structure, institutional mechanisms, preparedness, quick response, prevention and mitigation including formulation of a disaster mitigation strategy and its integration with development plans. The report of the Working Group also suggests a National Disaster Management Policy, with stress on a holistic approach to disaster management.

(d): The Government have already taken several initiatives which are in consonance with the recommendations of the HPC/Working Group. These initiatives include preparation of a National Disaster Management Framework covering institutional structures, formulation of disaster prevention and mitigation strategy, strengthening of early warning systems, preparedness and human resource development; inclusion of training capsules on disaster management in the post recruitment induction training of officers belonging to All India Services and the personnel belonging to Central Para Military Forces; inclusion of disaster management inputs in school curriculum; development of specialized search & rescue teams; and support to the multihazard prone States for capacity building and preparation of disaster management and response plans.